

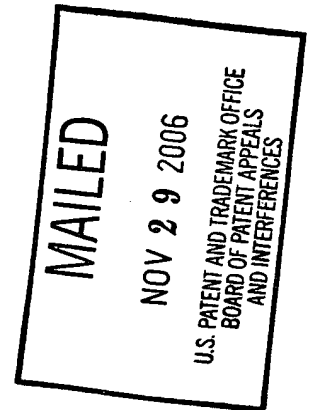
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UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

BEFORE THE BOARD OF PATENT APPEALS
AND INTERFERENCES

Ex parte MOU-CHUNG NGAI

Application 09/997,673
Technology Center 1700



ORDER RETURNING UNDOCKETED APPEAL TO EXAMINER

This application was electronically received at the Board of Patent Appeals and Interferences on November 8, 2006. A review has revealed that the application is not ready for docketing as an appeal. Accordingly, the application is herewith being returned to the Examiner. The matters requiring attention prior to docketing are identified below:

The Appeal Brief received by the USPTO on May 18, 2006, fails to set forth a statement which identifies the claims on appeal under the section "Status of Claims." Further review of the Appeal Brief reveals that a *required* section is missing. The missing section is the "Related Proceedings Appendix." See 37 C.F.R. §§ 41.37(c)(1)(iii) and (c)(1)(x).

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Correction is therefore required with respect to the deficiencies noted above.

Accordingly, it is

ORDERED that the application is returned to the Examiner:

(1) to instruct Appellant to provide a Supplemental Appeal Brief which fully complies with 37 C.F.R. § 41.37(c)(1)(iii) and (c)(1)(x);

and

(2) for such further action as may be appropriate.

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